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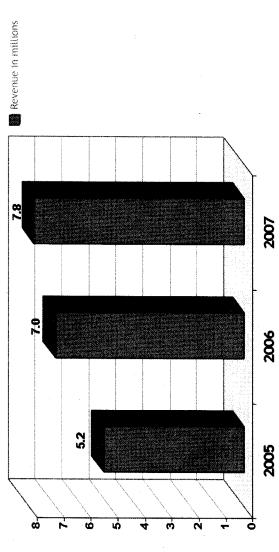


## **Montana Film Production Economic Impact Fast Facts**

- Since the passage of the Big Sky on the Big Screen Act in May of 2005, film production has left over **25 million** dollars in Montana's economy.
- When combined with the 13 million in indirect and induced impacts from this new money circulating in the economy, the total economic impact is **38 million** dollars. Montana's multiplier factor is a very conservative factor of 1.53.
- The employment effect of these productions is a total of **645 FTE** jobs in Montana, since the passage of the Big Sky on the Big Screen Act.
- There have been 66 productions certified for the Big Sky on the Big Screen Act since its passage. Forty-two of these, or 63%, have been Montana production companies which means a greater tax benefit to the state. Twenty-five of these productions were certified in 2008.
- Film production increased 34% between 2005 and 2006, and we saw a healthy 12% increase in 2007.
- Montana had six feature films shoot in 2008, and more than 70 additional television, commercial, and documentary projects.
- These productions take place statewide and bring economic development to all corners of the state. One of these films included last winter's re-make of Jack London's "Call of the Wild" which shot in Lincoln and Phillipsburg, and left almost half a million dollars in those small towns where the impact is felt firsthand by many of the residents.
- There were also films done by local Montana producers such as, "The Best Bar in America," a road movie which shot in Hamilton, Missoula, Kalispell, Whitefish, the Seeley-Swan, Helmville, Great Falls, the Big Hole, and Ingomar. There was also "The Vessel" which shot in Great Falls by a filmmaker who returned to Montana to produce Montana-made films after working years in Hollywood.
- There was also a major studio film, "My Sister's Keeper", starring Cameron Diaz which shot pivotal scenes for the film in Glacier National Park.
- In 2007, a film called "Layover" shot in the Belgrade Airport. The HBO production of "Taking Chance" left 1 million dollars in Ennis and Bozeman in 2007. The independent production of a feature called "A Fork in the Road" left another million in Laurel, Livingston, and Bozeman in the fall of 2007. All of these projects chose Montana in part because of the Big Sky on the Big Screen Act.

## FILM PRODUCTION IN MONTANA





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**Businesses Directly Affected by Film Production:** 

"reflects only expenditures directly related to production costs; excludes personal expenditures by actors and crew members.

• Air Cargo	Cleaners/Laundries
<ul> <li>Air Charter—helicopter, fixed wing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Coffee Suppliers</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Antique Stores</li> </ul>	Computer Suppliers
Appliance Dealers	Costume Rentals
• Art Supplies	Delivery Services
• Banks	• Dumpsters
Beepers/Mobile Phones	<ul> <li>Federal Express</li> </ul>
Bookstores	• Florists
<ul> <li>Business Machines: computers, copiers,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Furniture Rental</li> </ul>
fax machines	<ul> <li>Gasoline Suppliers</li> </ul>
• Car Rentals	<ul> <li>Grocery Stores</li> </ul>
• Caterers	<ul> <li>Hardware Stores</li> </ul>

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<ul> <li>Lumber Stores</li> </ul>	• Dumpsters
· Locksmiths	Delivery Services
• Ice Suppliers	• Costume Rentals
• Hotels	Computer Suppliers
Heavy Equipment Rental	• Coffee Suppliers

Tents/Canvas Companies

Video Rentals
 Water Suppliers

Photo Processing/Film
 Portable Toilets

Sporting Goods Stores

Taxi Service

Security Companies

Sign Makers

Production Companies

Printer Services

Health Clubs

Recycling Centers

Restaurants